

Student Outcomes

Passaic County Community College stands unique within the state of New Jersey as it enrolls a significantly higher number of part-time students (almost 70 percent) and the students who require remediation or who take ESL courses. The one year retention rate of first-time full-time students was almost 57 percent that exceeds the national rate of about 55 percent.

Over 18 percent of the students graduated or transferred to another institution, within the state of New Jersey, in the stipulated time period. Although over 50 percent of the students who enroll at PCCC indicate to be of Hispanic ethnicity, the graduation rate (including transfer rate) of Caucasian (35 percent) and Asian (22 percent) students exceeded those of minority students, i.e., African-Americans (almost 19 percent) and Hispanics (10 percent). The success rate (graduation and transfer rates) of students from lower socio-income groups (4 percent) was lower than for the students of high income groups (almost 10 percent), highlights the role of economic situation in succeeding through the college.

1. Graduation rates by Race/Ethnicity and Income

Table II E.1.a
Two- and Three-Year Success Rates (Combined Graduation and Transfer Rate) of Fall
2005 First-time, Full-time Degree seeking Freshmen
by Race/Ethnicity

Race/Ethnicity	Number	Graduated or Transferred in <u>2 Years</u>		Graduated or Transferred in <u>3 years</u>	
		N	Percent	N	Percent
White	138	6	4.3	48	34.8
Black	81	4	4.9	15	18.5
Hispanic	241	2	0.8	24	10.0
Asian	27	0	0	6	22.2
Alien	26	1	3.8	2	7.7
Unknown	52	5	9.6	8	15.4
Total	565	18	3.2	103	18.2

Table II E.1.b
Two- and Three-Year Success rates (Combined Graduation and Transfer Rate) of
First-time, Full-time Degree seeking Freshmen by Income

	Number	Graduated or Transferred in <u>2 Years</u>		Graduated or Transferred in <u>3 years</u>	
		N	Percent	N	Percent
Low Income	246	5	2.0	35	14.2
Non-Low Income	158	8	5.1	39	24.7
Unknown	161	5	3.1	29	18.0
Total	565	18	3.2	103	18.2

Table II E.1.c
Two- and Three-Year Graduation Rates of First-time, Full-time
Degree seeking Freshmen by Race/Ethnicity

Race/Ethnicity	Number	Graduated or Transferred in <u>2 Years</u>		Graduated or Transferred in <u>3 years</u>	
		N	Percent	N	Percent
White	138	2	1.4	20	14.5
Black	81	0	0.0	4	4.9
Hispanic	241	0	0.0	7	2.9
Asian	27	0	0.0	1	3.7
Alien	26	0	0.0	1	3.8
Unknown	52	2	3.8	3	5.8
Total	565	4	0.7	36	6.4

Table II E.1.d Two- and Three-Year Graduation Rates of First-time, Full-time Degree seeking Freshmen by Income

	Number	Graduated or Transferred in <u>2 Years</u>		Graduated or Transferred in 3 years	
		N	Percent	N	Percent
Low Income	246	0	0.0	10	4.1
Non-Low Income	158	2	1.3	15	9.5
Unknown	161	2	1.2	11	6.8
Total	565	4	0.7	36	6.4

2. Third Semester Retention Rate

Table II E.2.a
Third Semester Retention of First-time, Full-time Freshmen
by Race/Ethnicity (Fall 2007 Cohort)

	Retained		Not-Retained		Total
	N	Percent	N	Percent	N
White	93	57.8	68	42.2	161
Black	51	45.9	60	54.1	111
Hispanic	147	59.3	101	40.7	248
Asian	15	68.2	7	31.8	22
American Ind.	0	100.0	3	100.0	3
Alien	14	70.0	6	30.0	20
Unknown	24	55.8	19	44.2	43
Total	344	56.6	264	43.4	608

Table II E.2.b
Third Semester Retention of First-time, Full-time Freshmen
by Income

Income	Retained		Not-Retained		Total
	N	Percent	N	Percent	
Low	135	59.2	93	40.8	228
Income					
Non-Low	106	64.6	58	35.4	164
Income					
Unknown	103	47.7	113	52.3	216
Total	344	56.6	264	43.4	608

3. Transfer

Table II E.3.a
Three-Year Transfer Rate of Fall 2005 First-time, Full-time Freshmen
to New Jersey Senior Public Institution

	Number	Percent
Transfer through Spring 2008	39	6.9
Non-Transfers	526	93.1
Total FTFTFR Fall 2004	565	100.0

Table II E.3.b Overall Three-year Transfer Rate of Fall 2005 First-time, Full-time Freshmen

	Number	Percent
Transfer through Spring 2007	67	11.9
Non-Transfers	498	88.1
Total FTFTFR Fall 2004	565	100.0